## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA WESTERN DIVISION Civ. No. 5:19-cv-00242-D

| SILENA DUNAWAY, Plaintiff,   | )<br>)<br>)   |  |
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| v.<br>KILOLO KIJAKAZI, ACTING<br>COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL<br>SECURITY, | ) ORDER ) ) ) |  |
| Defendant  | · )           |  |

Plaintiff's counsel filed a motion for approval of attorney's fees under section 206(b) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 406(b), seeking an award of \$11,137.25. Attorney's fees under section 206(b) are paid from past-due benefits awarded to a successful claimant. 42 U.S.C. § 406(b). In this case, the Commissioner has withheld a total of \$11,137.25, representing 25 percent of past due benefits paid to Plaintiff. The Court previously awarded Plaintiff attorney's fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA), 28 U.S.C. § 2412, in the amount of \$5,010.00.

It is ORDERED that Plaintiff's counsel be awarded fees under 42 U.S.C. § 406(b) in the amount of \$ 11. (37. 25 , and refund to Plaintiff the smaller award between this amount and the EAJA award.

This <u>24</u> day of September 2021.

JAMES C. DEVER III UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE